

Vernon Bailey  
1834 Kalorama Rd.  
Washington D.C.  
~~1939~~  
1940

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Feb. 15. Littered on Caves  
and Cave Life for the  
Speleological Society at  
Y.M.C.A.

March 18 - Littered on  
Our Fur Bearing Animals  
at Toronto, Canada

April 6 - Littered at for  
Biological Society at  
Cosmopolitan Club on  
Caves and Cave Life.

1940

## Spring Flowers

March 15. Yellow crocuses  
in yard wide out

March 20, White and purple  
crocuses all out in yard.  
Some elm & soft maple  
trees in flower.

March 22, 23, \*24 Easter  
Froze hard, down to  $18^{\circ}$

March 26, Jasmines and  
Forsythia out on warm slopes

March 30 - Elms and soft maple  
wide out.  
Warm rains,  $54^{\circ}$

1940

## Spring Flowers

April 1 - Cherry blossoms  
tight sheet, no color.  
Forsythia out on warm  
slopes.

Hyacinths out in yard.  
Elm in full blossom  
Soft maples "

Grass very green.

Japanese magnolia showing  
white in buds, the earliest.

Hickory buds showing  
green tips.

April 4 Veronica, Stellaria and  
Chicory out.

Hepaticas out in Dr. Biddle's yard  
A few dandelions on warm slopes.  
A few blue violets in yard.

# Flowers

• April 7

Forsythia wide out

Pink magnolias almost out

White " wide out

Norway maple blossom on warm slope

April 9 Norway Maples wide out

on north side of street.

buds on south side.

Single cherries not open

April 12 Warm and rainy  
Soft maple seed tassels showing out

Elm seeds half grown.

Japanese quince half out

May lily almost out

Bloodroots wide out, old

Clintonia wide out

Blue violets abundant

Dumbarton's out

# Flowers

April 13, Froze hard,  
25° in morning.  
Snow in night,  
See 2 inches in bird bath

April 14 Warm and rainy

April 15, Single cherries out  
widely open, double not out  
Japanese quince almost out

April 20. Japanese quince  
wide out

Wurtzias wide out

Dandelions com.

Violets abundant

Baby blues out

Spring beauties in blossom

## To Blackwater Marshes

- April 22 clear after a week of rain, but soon clouded up for all day.  
To Annapolis & Cambridge and Blackwater Refuge.  
Cool & windy.  
No pictures possible.  
With Joice & McCarthy
- April 23, Cambridge and Blackwater Refuge.  
Clear and warm. got good pictures of muskrat & geese.  
Saw Dr. Doggett & Mr. Black.  
Muskrats not yet breeding.  
Ducks & geese very tame.  
Grain & clover tall and thrifty.  
Some trees in blossom and others showing a trace of green.  
Flowers of early spring coming out.

# Blackwater to Washington

April 23

Cherry & Peach in blossom  
Amelanchier in flower  
Vaccinium " "  
Forsythia "  
Japanese quince  
Magnolia "  
Daffadil "  
Dandelions "  
Violets "  
Pears almost in blossom  
Plums " "

Photographed in color

Canada geese  
Mallard ducks  
Muskrat  
Japanese quince  
Dandelions  
Violets

# Around Haines Point

April 27.

Single Cherry blossoms gone  
Double Cherries " not out.  
Pink Magnolias wide out  
Pansies in prim  
Forsythia mostly gone

Dr. Fannie Schleppi here  
to April 29

April 30.

Dogwood almost out  
Redbud " "  
Lilac " "  
Ericardia " "  
Tulips a few out

Maple leaves half grown  
Oak leaves an inch long  
Hickory leaves small, Tassels s  
Elm seeds full grown, not ripe.  
Maple seeds half grown some.

May 5

Sunday

Double Cherries wide out  
Redbud wide out  
Dogwood nearly out  
Japanese Rhododendron wide out  
Tulips out in Dr. Birdsell's  
Lilacs out, full size  
Wisteria, a few on south walls

Finished movie reel on  
double cherries, not very  
good as brown leaves are large

May 8, Dogwood and redbud  
wide out - beautiful.

Maple leaves nearly full grown  
Hickory leaves half grown  
Oak leaves small

May 12, Buckeye out  
May 14, Tulip trees out.

• May 13 To Alexandria  
Talked twice at  
Mt. Vernon School to  
about 600 children  
with 2 reels of motion picture  
of trapped animals.  
Showed trap.

• May 14, Talked to about  
300 children at another  
school in Alexandria, Mrs  
Hogue principal, on animals  
and traps. without pictures  
Used specimens and sippy  
and chain trap, bottle and  
tin can traps. & evoke skin.

• ✓ The George Mason School

May 20 Old Betsy  
squirrel coaxed her  
second young one  
across to the Hickory tree  
from the porch balcony  
on north side of house.  
I've caught 7 cats in  
the back yard to make  
it a safe place for  
squirrels & birds.

June 8. The young squirrels  
still nursing but out a little.  
Eating heartily of other pods.

Washington, D.C.

June 25, 1940

Basswoods in full  
blossom - native species  
Hollyhocks, willow.  
Yellow Ceanothus in blossom

June 20, 1940

Left Washington 7:35 AM  
for Williamsport & Mansfield  
Pa. on Pennsylvania train

Country beautiful in rich  
clean foliage.  
To Baltimore

Basswood in full bloom

Hollyhocks well along,  
Roses out in abundance

Sassies

Elderberry

Millwood

Moth mullein

Yarrow

Great doover

white

Blue

Boehm Harrisburg 11 AM  
" Williamsport 1:13 PM  
" Mansfield 2:30 " "

Patties in blouse at Wissamay  
Breakfast " " "

Buckwheat 1

Bittercups, abundant at Mansfield  
Station

Gradi

Spiraea in blossom

## *Wendia*

3000

June 10

faured, " in perfection

*Rhododendron* *l.* *in* *perpet* *u*

June 31

To Laurel slopes  
To Canton to see Charles  
Schlapffer & Mr. Babcock  
about traps.

June 32

To Williamsport  
Altoona  
Pittsburgh  
Country fresh & green, hay  
being cut.

Back to Williamsport  
to Altoona & Pittsburgh.

June 23

To Chicago, 7:30

Raining

Left Chicago 5:30 P.M.

on the Denver Zephyr.

Dark whea we crossed  
the Miss River.

June 24, Arrived

Denver at 7:30 A.M.

A wonderful ride at about  
100 miles ~~an~~ hour in  
clean comfortable air

condition of coach

Country fresh & green

Crops good. Corn

a foot high

All the way in

Upper Sonoran zone  
Went to cosmopolitan  
Hotel in Denver.

Meeting of Directors

of Mammoth Society in evening.

June 25 Denver, Colorado.

Meeting of Mammal Society  
began at Colorado Museum  
of Natural History  
My paper on Handing  
Animals second on  
program at 11 AM,

June 26 & 27.

Full program of papers  
and sketches for 3 days  
Mostly good and interesting  
With many old friends  
and many new and  
promising young fellows  
beginning where the  
old fellows leave off.  
Among the old friends  
were Sitton & wife, Tagon,  
Alfred Bailey, Walter Taylor,  
Hamilton, Akgood, Scott,  
Geo. Willits & wife, E.R. Hall,  
Kuhnbeck, Sperry, Garbough,  
Erushaw, Ritter, Couch,

Jackson, Mr. Mories,  
Miss Schantz, Dr. Schantz,  
Dr. Mrs. Burt, Davis,  
and many others.

Also a large number  
of young men new to me  
but largely in the field  
of virology. Texas was  
especially well represented  
by active young workers.

June 27, 1940

Left Deaver at 9:15  
P.M. for Albuquerque  
on the Santa Fe Ry.

June 28 Arrived at  
Albuquerque 1:30 P.M.  
and stopped off to  
get a big wool sack  
and Kodacolor film.  
Must have had high  
fever both away so  
I did not see anyone  
I knew.

Stayed over night at  
Alverado hotel.

June 29, Left  
Albuquerque 6 AM  
and reached Thoreau  
at 11:23.

Cool and raining in  
morning.

Crops good, grass and  
flowers abundant.

Corn 4 feet high at Belen  
Winter wheat ripe and  
first crop of Alfalfa cut.

Waited at Thoreau till  
4 PM and went out to  
camp at Cottonwood Gulch  
No one at camp yet but  
staid with W. H. Perry  
who lives on the camp's  
farm just below the  
camp and looks after  
things for Mr. Howe

The camp is at 7000 ft  
on the north slope of the  
Zuni Mts. about 4 miles  
from Thoreau.

A hard rain this  
afternoon made the road  
very muddy and ~~slipper~~  
but we got up without  
any real trouble.

Grass and flowers growing  
and country fresh and  
green.

Not pine and junipers  
abundant and yellow pine  
scattered over cold slope  
It has been lumbered  
off over most of this part  
of the range but young  
trees are coming along.  
Narrow leaved adlawood  
are beautiful around camp.  
Flowers numerous.

June 30 - 1940,

Cottonwood Patch Camp.  
Clear and beautiful  
after the rains, alpaca in  
blossom.

6 girls camp after dark  
and located in Cabin 1  
Miss Ferguson in charge.  
Miss Osborn musician

July 3 Mr. Howie and  
Mr. Olmstead and 23 boys  
arrived.

July 4 Had a lively  
program for Fourth of  
July afternoon with  
games and races and  
much fun. Campfire  
in evening with singing  
and Indian singing

July 5 Set traps up  
Bluewater Creek canyon  
and the girls went  
swimming in the lake

July 6 set more traps up  
Canyon

July 7. Caught nothing,  
took up traps.

Set Coyote traps up road  
back of camp

July 8. Caught nothing

July 9 Caught nothing

# Cottonwood Quilt. u.u

Wiley —

1940

Duck over Blue Water Lake July 7  
Spotted Sandpiper's - a  
Sparrow hawk, 3.

Butes

Autograph

## Smooth Owl

~~8.00~~ 8.00  
Siegalex

# Syrapicus

Georges

one hand

a few

*Calostoma eber*

*Calopteryx eger* com.

Brood tail'd hummer "

# Nighthawks

Pray for me  
Perryville

*Otocoris*

~~Sitta~~ ~~antarctica~~

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*Parus* *gouldi* *taileyae* Cuv.

*Parus a. subtilis?*

Bullock's deer *A. f. fumigatus*

Bedwing

yellow  
fragrant - dark flowers "

Meadowhawk com

Horned Lark 2

Sage sparrow 4  
altitudinal zone

# Ash-throated Flycatcher *concolor*

Mourning Doves com.

*Geoptris velox* 1

*Melanerpes meami* 1

Night Hawk

Poorwill

Barn swallows com. nests

Cliff swallow a few

Bafta .. com.

Violet green .. "

Andover warbler "

Townsend .. "

Vireo grayhead a few

" Black headed grosbeak, family  
Pipilo chlorurus a few  
" meadowlark "

Vesper sparrow com.

Spizella breweri "

Sialia sialis "

" bairdi "

Robins "

# Cottonwood Gully, Ariz.

July 12, 1940.

Left Camp 9 AM, with  
3 station wagons & truck,  
23 boys & 4 men.

Reached Gallop 11 AM  
& left at 12  
headed for Window Rock  
and Ft. Defiance.

Hot and dry but  
country and vegetation  
unusually green.

Turned about 10 miles out  
of Gallop, then on to  
Window Rock, the Navaho  
headquarters, most picturesquely  
and interesting sandstone formations.

Tried to see Mr. E. R. Fisher,  
Superintendent but he was out  
May want to come out to help  
trap coyotes after Aug. 1st.

Camped at Fluted Butte, about  
50 miles south of Chin Lee.

Continued on to Ft. Defiance  
a large Navaho trading point  
then to the Navaho Sawmill at  
, then 7 miles beyond at  
and camped at Thleted Butte,  
a volcanic neck of crude basalt.  
Found much fossil wood at  
camp, plenty of Marm's Woodpecker  
and acorn trees.

Dozens of yellow pines peeled  
for food by Indians long ago.  
I counted 12 from one spot near  
camp and could have counted  
100 near camp.

Saw a little brown bat after  
daylight and nearly caught it.  
A deer had been trudging over  
stones. No coyote tracks.  
Worst squirrels ever seen.

July 13 -

Fluted Butte & Chin Lee.

Spent 4 or 5 hours at  
Canyon de Chelbe 10 miles  
above Chin Lee. Cañon  
del Muerto comes in from  
the north.  
All striped off.

Saw on antelope several  
Micotoma nests.

July 14 Sunday, Chin Lee  
Caught 2 *Perodipus longimembris*  
and a *Peromyscus m. sonoriensis*  
Saw a kit fox track

July 14 - Canyon de Chelly

- Took the Park Ranger, Tom Anstall, as guide up Canyon de Chelly to the White House cliff dwelling where he gave us a good talk on the Archaeology of the canyon. The canyon is 540 feet deep and the white house is at and near the bottom.
- There is no surface water but there is plenty of good water 203 feet below the broad level sand bed. There are about 200 known village sites in the canyon. A good horse trail has been cut down to Whitehouse. Traveled at top and went to ~~about~~ Monument Canyon about 10 miles up where we could drive within half a mile of the rim and took Chee Woodie, an educated Navaho as a guide to the rim.
- Had a wonderful view of the

Morments and up both  
Mammut and De Chelly canyons  
The morment is double, the  
higher point about 800 feet high  
and we look down on it  
from 200 feet above.

A lot of Douglas spruce  
grows along the shady slopes  
high up where the sun never  
shines. Cottonwoods grow  
along the bottom. A few  
yellow pines grow on top  
but mostly nut pines and  
Junipers.

Came back through Chin Lee  
and camped about 10  
miles north in Chin Lee Valley  
on the edge of Mammut Park,  
some 4 miles south of the big  
flat topped mountain that  
we camped north of in 1935.

July 15. Camp in Chindet V.

- Mounds of *Dipodomys spectabilis* abundant and fresh tracks all around. Found one skull but it got smashed.
- Set all of our traps last night but the wind blew and we did not catch one. A few prairie dogs.
- Caught one *Perodipus longimembris*, and nothing else.
- July 16 Caught only *Perodipus* & a *Perryiulus sonoriensis*. Went to Kayenta and north to Gouldings, just across the Utah line, then back to Sandstone cliff near El Capitan. Set traps.

July 17 Caught 1 *Perodipus*  
came back to the Wethills  
at Kayenta and on to  
Red Lake where we camped  
for noon lunch, then on to  
Tuba City, Cameron and  
the Grand Canyon at Desert View.  
I remained with the track on  
the river at the Little Colorado  
Canyon and set traps  
some 12 miles west of Cameron.

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July 18 Caught 1 *Mectomys lepidus*  
1 *Perognathus intermedius*,  
2 *P. apache* — 2  
*Peromyscus truei* ad  
3 *P. maniculatus sonoriensis* 4  
Beds of Cameron, Navajo  
~~Hol~~ the Moeneopi, Hotwill,  
and just beyond  
got batch of *Mus Anna Tewa*  
at Moeneopi Pueblo.  
Sent to Jamie Schoppe.

July 18, Caught only 3  
*Pedomyscus sonoriensis*.  
in Drabki peach orchard.  
Came down to Old Orabi  
and then down to New  
Orabi and got books.  
Then on to Wilpsai and  
then to Gavada and  
about 10 miles east to  
top of H. Dijianel Plateau  
where we camped in big  
yellow pine forest for night.  
Set 8 coyote traps in canyon  
close by. Saw one coyote track  
lunched at Old Wilpsai.

Many Indian fields of  
corn, beans, squashes and  
squashes. Has rained  
and crops look good.  
Many sheep and a few  
horses, good grass.

July 20

Reached Camp in Cottonwood  
gulch at 12:30.

Got mail.

The girls started soon  
after our arrival for  
a 12 weeks trip to Bryce and  
Zion. Has rained hard  
at camp while we were  
away and grass is green.  
Got only *Peromyscus*  
in morning except.

July 24 Cottonwood Gulch

- Started with Station wagon, Mr. Bluestead and 4 boys, Blake, Spalding, Gilson and Tigar, for Mt. Taylor.
- Took 4 days supplies traps and beds to Mt. Bluestead left us well up in Wall Canyon of Mt. Taylor.
- Camped in transition zone of yellow pine and Gambel's oak and just far below Aspens and Douglas fir.
- In PM. Set traps and up into old crater where Aspens and blue spruce are common.
- Not cattle in this crater and not much grass. Saw only one coyote track. Set 12 traps for coyote & bobcat. Three lions are reported seen by the fireguard near the peak.

July 25. Mt. Taylor

Caught nothing. Set more traps higher up and Drakell & Spalding went to the peak. Segar & I went almost to the top. Found lots of *Abies arizonicæ*. Set 2 lion traps but found no signs.

July 27. Caught only 2 *Peromyscus*. Reset lion trap.

Went down near Cibola to set *Dipodomys deserti* traps. Set 7 + one for badger but all of the prairie dogs have been poisoned & probably the kangaroo rats also. Walked down 6 miles and back to old camp wagon in rain.

Slept in old bunks with  
little fire to keep us warm  
Blake did not grumble, but  
had to take a bath after  
to get off the horse sweat.

July 29-31.

To Ojo Redondo, 8500 feet,  
near top of Mt. Sedgwick  
which is 9000.

Set traps for coyote cats.  
No signs.

July 30. One good check.  
Got pictures. Put in sack.

Aug. 1. Got one coyote,  
large old male, has  
lost one foot in  
steel trap.

Very quiet and easily  
handled.  
brought to camp in sack.

Aug. 2. Shipped five  
*Antilocapra* septentrionalis from  
Wadsworth and a Westtown  
pintail from Cottonwood  
Falls.

July 24-28, 1940.

Mr. Taylor Mammals

White-tailed deer

Abert squirrel

Spurred squirrel

Rock Squirrel

Chipmunk

*Peromyscus maniculatus agilis*

Red-tail

Warwrens

Sylviagulls

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Mt. Lizard, ♀ + 2 ♫.

Spur

Coyote

Gray Fox

*Ammospermophilus leucurus*, near Cuba

Rodger hole + skin

Prairie dogs near Porachio, all dead

*Dipodomys spectabilis* woods ..

Mt. Taylor Birds July 24-6, 1940

- Wild turkeys, several broods
- Bandtailed pigeons, 6 seen
- Mourning doves, com.
- Red tail hawks, "
- Sparrow hawk seen
- Moorhill, "
- Night hawks com.
- Flicker
- Harris Woodpecker
- Purple martin
- Ravens
- Crested Jay
- Pinyon Jay
- Olivaceous Flycatcher, 10000 feet
- Western Wood Pecker com
- Robins com
- Bluebirds "
- Blackheaded Grosbeak 15
- Red breasted quail com.
- Crossbills "

Aug. 17, To camp from  
Alberqueque.

Aug. 18 At Gallup, N.M.  
Witnessed the ceremonies  
of 7000 Indians.

Aug. 19, Took train at  
Mooreave for Los Angeles.

Aug. 20 At South Gate  
all day and night.

Aug. 21. Leslie and family  
took me to Twin Oaks,  
got Chester & Helen and  
brought to our house  
so they and Henry & I  
would be all together.  
Took Chet & Helen home  
next afternoon.

Aug-22 at Twin Oaks

Aug-23, Virginia took  
me to early train at  
Decauville.  
Had lunch with Diatkine  
at Pasadena and saw  
the new place he wanted to  
buy but advised against it.  
Took the 9:10 for S.F.  
at Glendale at 4 P.M.

Aug-24. Reached Berkeley  
at 8 AM & we met me at  
train. Pictures in evening.  
Saw C.H.M. in forenoon  
and afternoon. and again  
Aug. 25. Went to Fair to help  
moving pictures in P.M.  
for Hickey.

Aug. 26 - Left Bessley  
in morning & reached  
Fallon in evening.

Aug. 27 - Had all the class  
togethers at church  
in evening and showed  
morning pictures.

Aug. 28 - Caught the S.P.  
Challenger at Hager at 6:30  
A.M. Got to Ogallala at dark  
& Laramie next morning

Aug. 29, To Omaha at dark.  
Good crops across Nebraska.

Aug. 30 Chicago 8 A.M. &  
to Pittsburg in evening.  
Harrisburg 4 A.M. next morning

Aug. 31 To Williamsport  
at 1:30 PM. + north to  
Canadagua 8 PM.  
Tuticca 1/2 PM. + went  
to hotel. Slept till morning.

Sept 1.

Sally + Florence came  
for me I took me  
to Lyons Falls.

Dropped 2 gray foxes, one  
skunk, 1 Woodchuck, two  
cats and a crow.

Returned to Mansfield, Pa.,  
Sept. 26

To Washington  
Oct. 2.

Oct. 16, Washington, D.C.,  
to Canton, Pa.

Oct. 17, to Mansfield.

Oct. 21 to Elmira &  
Cobleskill

Saw Pete Ricard  
Sent fox bait to Adolph  
and Babcock.

Oct. 22, to Albany  
Stayed at Sandersons

Oct. 23 to Wilkesbarre, Pa.,  
by bus via Binghamton

Oct. 24, 2 forty feet ad  
Kingston, Pa., to see  
Mr. Slawitschek.  
Went home to  
Washington at 10:20 P.M.

1940 Summary  
At home most of  
winter and spring.

Went to New Mexico &  
other states with the  
Prairie Truck,

To Lyons Falls, NY  
and Pennsylvania  
again in Nov.  
for trapping Foxes.

How rest of year